# TOP "Five Star" in Utah 2002-2012 by Training Level Bachelor's Degree or Hi



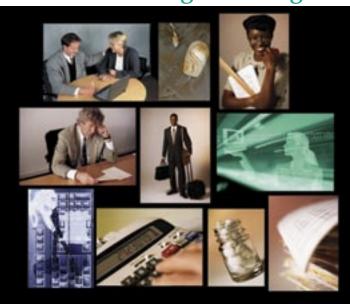
#### Bachelor's Degree or Higher

**Chief Executives** 

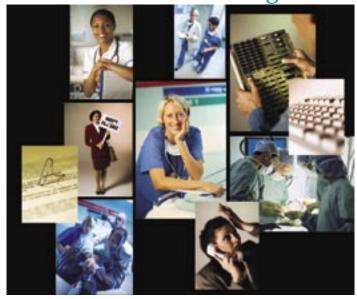
**Computer and Information Systems Managers Computer Software Engineers, Applications** Computer Software Engineers, Systems Software

> **Management Analysts Marketing Managers Pharmacists**





After High School, Less than Bachelor's Degree



**Respiratory Therapists** Paralegals and Legal Assistants **Dental Hygienists Real Estate Sales Agents** Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technicians Registered Nurses



**Electricians** 

First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Construction Trades and Extraction Workers First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers

> First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Non-Retail Sales Workers First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative

First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Police and Detectives First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating

Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters

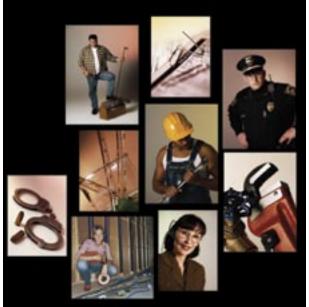
Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers

**Postal Service Mail Carriers** 

Production, Planning, and Expediting Clerks

Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Technical AND Scientific Products Sales Representatives. Wholesale and Manufacturing. EXCEPT Technical and **Scientific Products** 

**Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary** 



## What is a Top "Five Star" Tob?





#### **Demand-Side Economics**

The Utah Department of Workforce Services has just introduced a new way to rank jobs based on employment outlook and wages.

In this new rating system, five star jobs are those with the strongest employment outlook and high wages. The employment outlook rating is based 85 percent on the number of annual openings projected for that occupation and 15 percent on the rate of new employment growth in that job. Wage rankings use the median annual wage from the Utah wage survey conducted by the Department of Workforce Services.

The system groups jobs by training level. In other words, a high-paying job with just on-the-job training will not match the wages of a high-paying job requiring a college education!

#### Warning:

While all five star jobs
have a strong employment
outlook, they may also have
many applicants for each position.
Don't assume that just because a job is in
demand that getting that job will be easy.
Many of the jobs on this list have more
people competing for them than there are
openings. Investigate how stiff the competition is for these jobs: Talk to people recently hired in the job, and employers
who hire for the job. Ask them
about the competition for
jobs in that field.

#### **Supply-Side Economics**

Just because an occupation has a "five star" rating, doesn't mean jobs will be easy to find! The rankings cover only the "demand" for employees.

The other side of the equation is the supply of workers wanting to work in that occupation.

An occupation may create hundreds of new openings every year. But, if thousands of workers are qualified for those positions, lots of workers won't find work in that field. Look at the supply of labor for a particular occupation—not just the demand.

So, you need to do your homework. Check with people already employed in the occupation and employers who hire that occupation to determine whether there is an over- or under-supply of workers.





### On The Web

http://jobs.utah.gov/wi/occi.asp

http://jobs.utah.gov/wi/ Utah Labor Market / Economic Information

http://www.bls.gov/ Bureau of Labor Statistics

http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm Occupational Outlook Handbook

http://jobs.utah.gov/selfservice/ejb/ Electronic Job Board (all Utah jobs listed with DWS)

http://jobs.utah.gov/firmfind/ Searchable List of Utah Companies